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CROQUET NSW

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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

To date this year has been like no other. In 2019, not one of us would have believed we would be facing such a world as we are today and to say it continues to be unusual is an understatement.

In September 2019, after thanking and acknowledging the past Board for their service, we immediately got about our business. Soon after this time, NSW was experiencing the worst bushfire season on record, floods and a global pandemic.

Everything we have now been told reinforces that practicing good hygiene, physical distancing and testing if you have symptoms *is the new normal* for now.

I would like to personally extend my thanks to my board member colleagues of Croquet NSW for the energy, time, resilience and attention to all things croquet over this time. In addition, I would like to express my thanks for members speaking up, suggesting ideas and being considerate of others when views differed and helping me learn so much about the croquet family.

Our committees have been nimble and responsive and I wish to thank David Stanton in particular as chair of the Tournament Committee. I think he has shown great leadership and flexibility with his planning around the public health orders and changing social conditions that I know we all appreciate.

It is not one sided however, we on the Board have been supported by many member clubs and individual players who have contacted us to express support... to which we say thank you.

So what have we been doing? We have updated processes, with particular focus on ensuring compliance with Office of Sport, Health Department and local Councils. There has also been a review of our financial health and putting into place an easy, transparent system that means we can see "where we are" at any time.

We have been connecting with clubs and advocating, successfully, for funding support. We are working hard to be more connected with our member clubs and we know this is only the start. We managed to get eight issues of the CNSW Newsletter out to clubs and we are working hard on communication overall.

NSW Health provide the State health orders and information for the NSW community to follow based on evidence. The Office of Sport uses this to inform their safe play of sport decisions. In relation to the sport of croquet, the Office of Sport has been providing us the relevant COVID-19 updates, and Croquet is represented at all the sport community meetings.

It is important for you to know that the CNSW board makes decisions about holding tournaments based on health evidence from NSW health and Office of Sport. Personal decisions to play must guide you but having the latest advice to base them on is paramount. Croquet is more than a game; it is also a community, support, friendship and health.

Apart from this, the new Strategic Plan is in place, and the Constitution has been updated and is ready to go out to clubs for feedback, after the AGM. Initial feedback has been extremely positive. I have already expressed my thanks and yours to Michael Strickland and Ted Griffin; we are privileged to have such eminent volunteers who responded to our call.

Notwithstanding the COVID situation, CNSW has played quite a bit of competitive croquet this year as well as club play. The GC Interstate Shield was held in Victoria, where NSW featured prominently as the runner up and the AC Eire Cup in Brisbane in March where NSW won the event. Earlier in March, the AC World Championships were held at Cairnlea with 12 NSW players competing. Everything managed to be played before the pandemic restrictions hit.

Many clubs have used this time as an opportunity to undertake [safely] club and lawn renovations and other developments, with Nelson Bay, Dubbo and Maitland

as stand out examples of working together to access grants and undertake substantial works for the benefit of their clubs.

This year we were able reinstate our relationship with our Patron, Her Excellency the Honorable Margaret Beazley AC QC. We also asked her partner Mr. Wilson to be co-patron and when we met with them, [via Zoom] they were delightful and genuinely interested in croquet and the role of our many of our clubs within the community as well as our excellent Volunteers. We shared their letter with you earlier in the year.

We shall be staying in touch with the Governor and she has agreed to play a part in our Eire Cup event next year, which promises to be a great experience COVID permitting!

As a community sport CNSW is supported by many volunteers, and as I finish this report I would like to *thank* each and everyone of you who volunteer.

Stay safe and be kind,
Kate Elliott,
Chair Croquet NSW

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2019- 2020 CNSW Information

Membership

Canberra and Queanbeyan	162
Country	1853
Metropolitan	1048
Total	3063

Board Meeting Attendance

Kate Elliott	11 of 12
Richard Hughes	11 of 12
Steve Miles	11 of 12
Rosie Landrebe	9 of 12
Roberta Flint	2 of 2
Peter Martin	2 of 2
Simon Cook	4 of 4
Kate McLaughlin	5 of 5

Brian Dawson being inducted into the WCF Hall of Fame by Ian Burrige for his contribution to croquet for the development of the Dawson Ball



Paul Mainwaring from Humpty Do is the new manufacturer of the Dawson 2000 Balls



2020 winning AC State Team



2019 GC State ISS Team



Treasurers Report

This report is a brief summary of the year. More detail is provided in the full financial statements which are presented in a separate document.

Certainly, this has been a very interesting first year as your Treasurer. Despite my forecasts of gloom throughout the year the final financial result was a modest profit of around \$4,135 due to expense control and continued investment returns from our managed funds investment. These funds have been set aside to provide ongoing regular income. Our other assets are however invested in term deposits and will suffer a significant drop in income going forward.

The audited accounts for the past two financial years are being presented at this AGM as the 6 week time frame between the 2019 end of year and the AGM did not allow enough time to complete the audit. The 2018/19 profit has also been restated from that presented to the 2019 AGM as \$11,374 was charged against our Office of Sport special purpose grant rather than treated as an expenses. Whilst this reduced our expenses and also our grant liability, our bank account and investment balances remain the same.

As clubs know, \$31 of our \$42 member affiliation fee goes to Croquet Australia, however this year ACA rebated 50% of this amount to assist clubs cope with the current CoVid crisis. This was immediately passed on to clubs who appreciated the support. In the end we distributed more than \$46,000 (note this includes a return of GST originally collected - the accounts show the amount excluding GST).

CNSW has also offered extra support to clubs. Originally CNSW approved an increase of \$6 in our member affiliation fee, from \$42 to \$48 for 2020/21. However, this was reduced to \$44 as further support for clubs. The shortfall will be met from our cash reserves.

Our other major expense continues to be Lawn Maintenance at Tempe. Members who have visited Tempe lately would be impressed by the improvement in player facilities and the move to a 4 lawn venue. Cooks River Croquet Club manages Tempe and the lawn maintenance costs for 2019/20 include \$32,200 of fees paid to Cooks River. The original concept of a significant reduction in CNSW involvement in Tempe does not seem to be workable given the current demand for lawns for CNSW events and the reluctance of other clubs to take on the significant tournament load (we hold 26 out of 46 tournaments a year at Tempe plus coaching and training days). The CNSW board will be developing a regional "Academies" concept as part of the strategy review for the coming year along with an assessment of the ongoing arrangements with Cooks River Croquet Club.

Our net asset position (assets and investments less liabilities) remains strong at over \$400,000 and overall CNSW is in a sound financial position.

At the end of the year we received \$182,500 in funding from the State Government, split between clubs and CNSW. This grant was support for the financial impact and recovery from COVID-19. This amount does not go to our profit but is set aside to pay for future projects approved under the grant. One of those projects was a \$1,000 grant for each eligible club which was distributed after year end.

This year we moved our banking over to Bendigo Bank and as a result all transactions are done electronically - we no longer have a CNSW cheque book! A few clubs still use manual banking, but I would encourage them to move to electronic banking which provides an immediately accessible financial record for those who manage your club. We are also issuing invoices from our MYOB system making it easier to track club payments.

Over the coming year our challenges are to:

- Restore our income in the face of reduced investment income and lower affiliation fees
- Invest in our sport by supporting coaching and tournaments

- Continue to modernise processes so we can all get back to what matters - playing croquet

In closing I would like to thank club secretaries and treasurers for their help in paying promptly and being responsive to my information requests. My personal thanks to John Eddes for his help in my early months and to Brenda Wild who handled new member processing until November.

Steve Miles, CNSW Treasurer

Summary of Income & Expenditure as at 30 June			
	2020	2019	2018
Income			
Affiliation Fees	122,127	122,808	117,866
Nationals	0	16,450	0
Grants - Office of Sport	15,000	25,000	15,000
HQ Lawn & Equipment use	1,311	654	1,079
Insurance Levies	10,054	10,368	9,852
Investment Income & Gains	11,880	19,567	18,952
Presentation Day Income	1,110	1,564	1,464
Tournament Entry Fees	7,822	14,045	13,359
Year books	9	218	1,500
Miscellaneous Items	1,695	791	2,079
Total Income	171,008	211,466	181,151
Expenses			
ACA Affiliation Fees	42,358	0	0
ACA Affiliation Fee Rebate	42,480	74,741	73,453
Audit, Legal and Consulting Fees	2,250	27,663	18,360
Club Lawn Hire	0	1,161	1,098
Depreciation	2,473	2,538	1,371
Development Officer	0	0	0
Insurance	10,821	11,390	11,381
Lawns, Tempe, CRCC	33,188	31,003	23,970
Miscellaneous Expenses	770	1,733	1,344
National Championships	500	26,872	848
Office, Newsletter, Yearbooks	6,292	12,668	14,573
Printing & Stationery	2,693	1,718	1,918
Publicity	55	7,706	1,812
State Teams & Competition	13,908	12,592	12,840
Tournament Expenses and Trophies	7,145	10,822	5,293
Tournament Expense	1,942	5,487	2,978
Total Expenses	166,873	228,095	171,240
Operating Profit	4,135	-16,630	9,911

Balance Sheet as at 30 June			
	2020	2019	2018
<i>Current Assets</i>			
Cash	469,156	294,476	366,866
Receivables	2,365	4,827	1,393
Inventories	2,503	634	771
Other	6,586	5,350	5,569
<i>Non Current Assets</i>			
Other Financial Assets	131,484	125,081	115,255
Property, Plant, Equipment	11,891	14,364	6,250
Total Assets	623,984	444,734	496,104
<i>Current Liabilities</i>			
Payables	13,411	9,350	8,666
Other	199,286	28,232	63,657
Total Liabilities	212,697	37,582	72,323
Net Assets	411,287	407,152	423,781



2020 World Championship winner
Reg Bamford, with Claire Wilson
[Ex Nowra CC] and her grandson
Edward Wilson AC world number 6

Tournament Committee Report for CNSW Annual Report 2020

The past 12 months has been very busy for the Tournament Committee.

Fifteen CNSW events were held between the end of August 2019 and the end of November.

Two events were held in March 2020 before all events were cancelled or postponed due the COVID-19 pandemic.

The major events that were postponed from the first half of the year were rescheduled to be played in the second half of the year.

Some events were cancelled outright, including the Fransted Trophy and the Tempe Open, but most were able to be fitted in to a very tight schedule. The desire to get all major GC events played before the ACA events in Tasmania caused some problems, which were partly alleviated when it appeared that the ACA events would be cancelled, as they eventually were.

Emails were sent to all players who had entered any of these events advising them of changed dates, and asking for confirmation that they were still able to take part. Emails were also sent to clubs, which had agreed to host CNSW events, seeking agreement for new dates.

Once play was able to resume in July, we managed to run 11 events between early July and the end of August. Most of these events were very well attended, with near-record fields for the Division 3 GC Doubles and Singles at Mosman and the AC Bronze Singles at Killara.

Continuing concerns about COVID-19 played havoc with entries for the major GC events, the Men's Singles, the Women's Singles and the Open Singles. Nonetheless, all these events were held, with sizable fields.

The AC Men's Singles attracted a bumper field of 14 players, and this event was played in two halves, one in Sydney and one in Canberra. This was made necessary by COVID-19 concerns among players and restrictions imposed by the ACT and NSW governments. Each venue produced a sectional winner, and the plan is for the final to be played between these winners when such a match can be arranged.

We are now once again in a state of uncertainty, with a number of events due to be played over the next few months. Many of these events are regional qualifying events for the Beryl Chambers State Handicap, and these should all be able to go ahead in line with the most recent advice from the Office of Sport. However, some events have been cancelled, including the AC Silver Brooch, the GC Handicap Doubles and Singles and the GC Division 2 and Division 4 Pennants. Other events have been postponed, including the AC and GC Selectors' events and the AC Champion of Club Champions.

The problems of the last 6 months have contributed to, but have not been solely responsible for, a certain lack of progress on the task of developing revised Tournament Regulations.

I would like to thank TC members Lorraine Hatfield, Mike Hughes, Peter Landrebe and Richard Christian for their contribution during what has been a difficult year.

David Stanton

Chair, CNSW Tournament Committee

September 2020



Winners are Grinners!
David Scott, Lance Turner, Ray
Chapman, Greg Porter





ACA 2021 Event Committee Report for CNSW Annual Report 2020

This committee was established in March, with David Stanton as Chairman and Robert Elliott and Mike Hughes as members.

After a meeting on 20th March, we decided to ask Peter Landrebe, Pauline Markwell and Ted Griffin to join the committee. An initial meeting of the full committee was held via Zoom on 16 April 2020, after preliminary work had been done and clubs approached for the Mens and Womens championships and creating a logo for the events.

Most clubs in Sydney were approached by email, and almost all responded quickly and positively.

Royal Sydney Golf Club and Mosman Croquet Club were confirmed as two of the three venues required for the Eire Cup, with RSGC also happy to host the final day of the Men's and Women's events (finals and 3rd/4th playoffs). It is hoped that Tempe will have been expanded to four courts in time for the March 2021 events, and it will be the third Eire Cup venue. If there is any delay in getting the fourth court up to standard, a combined venue will be used, with three courts at Tempe and one at Hurstville.

Ted Griffin approached a graphic designer, Ruth Downes, who graciously offered to design a logo for us pro bono. The result is a great design, shown in the letterhead above. The Chair of Croquet NSW thanked Ruth for her gift.

The ACA has appointed Stephen Howes as Tournament Referee, and Stephen has joined the committee. Neil Hardie has been appointed Deputy Tournament Referee.

The CNSW Board approached Government House about hosting the Eire Cup Welcome Reception, and Her Excellency Margaret Beazley has agreed to our request. Arrangements for a final presentation dinner are also in the hands of the CNSW Board.

We have approached MySportLive regarding the possibility of live streaming the Eire Cup and the final of the Mens and Womens. MySportLive provided the recent live streaming of the AC World Championship in Melbourne.

Chair

David Stanton

AC Selection Committee Report

The AC Selection Committee year commenced with the end of the Eire Cup in mid-March 2020. The Committee started preparatory work in January and set out a timeline for this year's program.

The timetable was met with the sending out of invitations to join the state squad going out in May. The 10 players who accepted the invitation were:

Kerri-Ann Organ.
Alix Verge
Alison Sharpe
Rosie Landrebe
Alan Honey
Peter Landrebe
Tim Murphy
Jim Nichols
Stephen Richards
Ted Salter

In addition, the selectors invited players to form a development squad; the criterion used for this selection was potential for improvement rather than current playing ability.

In particular, given the big gap in women players between the top four and all other AC players some GC players who intend to play AC were included.

It was felt that these players would benefit more from coaching than mid-rank men and women who have been playing at the same level for several years. The selected squad was

Pamela Barnwell	Liz Montague	Ted Woodley
Mike Gidding	Steve Miles	Don Wright
Peter Freer	Barb Piggott	
Steve Marton	(unavailable)	
Kate McLaughlin	Diane Scott	

Tim Murphy agreed to coach this squad, but in the event was unable to because of COVID travel restrictions, and Peter Landrebe ran the coaching of this group.

The invitations to play in the ACA Bronze medal were sent out in early August. The selectors waited on the completion of the NSW Mens Open before sending out invitations, as there are several men whose world rankings are close together.

The initial seven nominees have all accepted except for Alix Verge and the eighth ranked player replaced her, and the field for that event is:

Peter Landrebe	Stephen Richards	Ted Salter
Alison Sharpe	Trevor Bassett	
Jim Nicholls	Alan Honey	

We had anticipated sending out invitations to the selector's events once the Bronze medal players had accepted, but the Covid ban on events being limited to players from the same region means that those events cannot be played in accordance with the current timetable. We have written to 14 players indicating that they will be invited to play in the selectors events if travel restrictions are removed. Those players are

Selectors 1st 7, winner to play in ACA Bronze medal 7th and 8th November

Rob Elliott	Rosie Landrebe	Kerri-Ann Organ
Alan Walsh	Mike Hughes	
Tim Murphy	Gareth Denyer	

Selectors 2nd 7

Steve Miles	Steve Marton	Mike Gidding
Ted Woodley	Don Wright	
Peter Freer	John Bartrop	

In addition the selectors have emailed every AC female player (other than the four current state squad members) to ascertain their interest in current or future representation and training.

The COVID restrictions makes all the events for the remainder of the year problematic. At this stage, the Tournament Committee chair has indicated that events may be rescheduled from October.

Regards

Mike Hughes for the AC Selection Committee

GOLF CROQUET SELECTION COMMITTEE

The GC Selection Committee's main tasks in 2019 were to select a State Squad, to run training sessions for the squad members, to select a team for the Interstate Shield to compete in Victoria in September, and to select the fields for the ACA Bronze Medal competition and Selectors Eights.

The State Squad was finalised by the end of February 2019, with 12 members. Three training weekends were planned, and Pete Landrebe kindly offered to coach the squad. Unfortunately, our plan to share the training sessions across three regions (Sydney, ACT and Hunter) fell apart owing to the inability of sufficient members to undertake the necessary travel, which was partly a consequence of the pressure of other croquet events. However, the first session (at Cooks River CC) was very valuable. Two more players were added to the squad in June.

The team selection was completed by mid-July. (We requested a change to the tournament program to include performances in the NSW GC Open in our deliberations, which the Tournament Committee kindly arranged.) Regrettably, the selection was not altogether well accepted, resulting in a withdrawal and some tension between players. We as selectors should have been better prepared to explain our choices.

There was little opportunity after selection of the team for formal training, but it was very valuable that the GC Division 1 Doubles tournament was arranged to accommodate the team has preferred doubles pairings. (Consequently, the corresponding tournament in 2020 is to be Mixed Doubles.)

The State team subsequently performed strongly in the ISS, with the women being particularly dominant, and was only narrowly squeezed into second place by Victoria.

The Covid19 pandemic and the frequent changes in conditions for travel and group activities have affected our activities in 2020.

The State Squad for 2020 was named by mid-February. In reaching this result, we sent many invitations to established players whose interest appeared to have declined (and who in fact refused) rather than make assumptions to exclude players. Squad training sessions were planned, again distributed between ACT, Sydney and Hunter regions.

The first State Squad session took place at Cooks River CC, but several players did not attend because of concerns about the pandemic. The next day we felt obliged to cancel the remaining sessions because of the increasing restrictions.

The State Squad was re-activated in early June, with the ISS having been re-scheduled to December, and several players who had previously been unavailable were added to the Squad. However, no training sessions have yet been arranged, owing to the densely packed tournament program that recommenced in July.

We decided to re-design the "Selectors Eights" this year. It is of greater value for team selection purposes to have separate women's and men's Selectors Events, rather than using them primarily as the traditional development exercise for up & coming players. Originally, we intended to promote one from each of the men's and women's Selectors' Events into the Bronze Medal. However, the date of the Selectors' Events has been twice deferred, first to relieve the pressure of competitions, and second because of increasing concerns about Covid19 in NSW.

Consequently, a full Bronze Medal field has been selected and there will be no promotion from the Selectors' Events this year.

The role and operation of the Selection Committee is currently under review by the Board. Without pre-empting this review, we can state some of the concerns felt by the current selectors:-

- (1) The role of the Selection Committee could be better defined, and better understood by both selectors and players. We see our role as picking the team most likely to win the ISS, and consider that this means taking into account some subjective judgments about players' capacity to rise to the occasion, stamina and resilience, ability to surprise opponents and inspire other team members, building on a firm foundation of demonstrated match performance and current form.
- (2) We also recognise the vital importance of transparent reasoning, in order to ensure acceptance of our selections. To this end, the reasons for departure from the world ranking data (the best objective evidence of long-term performance) must be very clearly communicable to interested parties.
- (3) There has long been debate over the team structure. On balance, a 4+4 with two travelling reserves is preferred. The record shows that it is commonly desirable or necessary to replace one or more players owing to sickness, injury or loss of form, but all being well the best players should play in each match. It is not reasonable to expect reserves to stand in whenever needed if they are not treated as fully part of the team, including financially.
- (4) We recognise that the Selection Committee has an important role in supporting player development, and we have gone to some lengths to keep in touch with regional players and to encourage regional development squads. Individual selectors often have good awareness of up and coming players within one region or another, so it is helpful if the selectors themselves come from a reasonably broad geographical range.

The Committee currently has only three members, and it is very desirable to bring this back to five, with a mix of gender. The Board will soon instigate a process to achieve this.

GC Selection Committee

Chair
Peter Montague

**Coaches Report
NSW GC ISS ,Cairnlea
11th - 15th September 2019.**

Result; NSW Runner up - good success and good step towards future, given there were 5 debutants.

DAY 1 Queensland

Slow start, but probably to be expected with new players, the play / results got stronger as each round played, perfect start to win 8-4 and possibly the best result among all of the teams.

DAY 2 Tasmania.

Strongest result against Tasmania , last round of singles was either Tasmania responding to being beaten well, or NSW looking comfortable as the group leading 8-0 and the concentration comes down a notch - easily done and expected , as Tasmania won game 1 in the round 2 of the singles in 4 of the 8 games but only in 1 of round 1 then we entered the last round of singles needing a team debrief push before playing.

DAY 3 Western Australia.

Perfect day, lead from the doubles and increased the lead each round, against a team that most believed was the favourite in the event.

A result like this with debutants is special and means messages are being listened to and practiced, the team belief is strong and I take this as the biggest step forward for further growth. WA are a seasoned team that will take this 3rd place as failure, which sets it up nicely for the next few years.

DAY 4 Victoria.

A tough day against a tough team and it is a good result to come this close and with bit of luck a different outcome may have occurred. We have not fronted against Victoria very successfully of late and this is big step forward.

Round 1 of the singles appears to be the decisive break away from Victoria, but a great effort for us to be the team coming home stronger this time.

The highlights being David, Chris and Gerda getting to experience the most pressure they are likely to get in the event and they all came out strong - not wanting to single out players , but the new players all needed to find their role and how they can best contribute.

DAY 5 South Australia.

Good finish, SA started well against a few teams and faded, this was not much different, NSW again played better as the day went on and finished the last round of singles with no losses.

Overview

Winning 37, drawing 43 and losing 20 matches is easily our best result for quite a while, comfortably more wins than other teams and less losses.

We can draw the conclusion with this cohort that you can learn skills, and tactics as new players fitting in but experiencing the ability to handle the event pressure can only be practiced - so while it looks like an unlucky result not to win - it's probably the perfect result going forward .

The Ties and the narrow loss to Victoria cannot easily be replicated at training. Notable is the Ties we lost in game 1 on 28 occasions and won game 1 only on 15 occasions .

A reasonable statement is this is a good position to be in; a team is potentially stronger if it can fightback to win after losing game 1 and quite easily some of those ties could have been losses and the event evens up.

Without analysing all of the states in detail - this appears to be the standout stat that goes in NSW favour.

We can also see from the above and for future reference the strength in ensuring a tie if we are one game down and equally we can put some work in (some individually) to build on the importance of game 1 - we are already doing that at nearly a 2:1 ratio.

Noting that on the 52 occasions we won game 1 in the 100 matches that we played - we went on to win 37 of those 52. (71%)

Of the 48 occasions we lost game 1 in the 100 matches we played - we went on to lose 20 of those of those 48. (42%)

Singles to doubles breakdown

- We won 8 doubles from 20 matches (40%)
- We lost 3 doubles from 20 matches (15%)
- We tied 9 doubles from 20 matches (45%)
- We won 29 singles from 80 matches (36%)
- We lost 17 singles from 80 matches (21 %)
- We tied 34 singles from 80 matches (43%)

Congratulations to the 2019 ISS Team

Pete Landrebe,
State Team Coach

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Jim Nichols photo bombing World Championship runner up Matthew Essick being interviewed by our very own Gareth Denyer, at the World Champonships in Victoria in February 2020



Eire Cup

The team was the strongest on rankings that NSW had selected since 2015; which incidentally was the last time NSW had won the Eire cup.

NSW had a few runner up results in the 6 year stretch; however with the number of players, strength of players and past success since 2006 , NSW enters each Eire cup with only one goal and that is to win, therefore each time the team came runner up, this needed to be a catalyst to return to being number 1.

Watching results from afar 2018, 2019 and viewing 2016, 2017 - I had drawn the conclusion that it was not a lack of desire / want / skills from the players / team, but an inability collectively to handle the pressure points when the result was on the line (notably against Victoria).

To remedy this; I looked at reinforcing the advantage of beginning well - doubles being the primary focus and to work on consistency in the second round of singles in comparison to results in the first round of singles .

Team Practice 2020 was high intensity, particularly around exploration of advanced plays - the sessions were catered and designed to the level of our best players, with tools and most importantly support given to the less experienced players reinforcing that they are capable of lifting themselves to be part of a strong team.

This approach resonated, and with discussions re building and peaking toward optimum performance was highlighted by the results in the lead up events like the World championships.

Coaching since the Eire Cup March 2020.

The AC Selectors named two squads quite early, a state team squad and a tier 2-development squad.

Despite COVID, we have had one full tier 2 squad training, which has been successful in introducing a group of players as to “what *is required*” and “ *how I go about a development path toward playing in a State Team* “

We also have had two further sessions at CRCC for the Sydney based players - plans for the Canberra and Northern based players were put in place, but COVID-19 restrictions made these sessions unable to be conducted as yet, but they will go ahead.

State team practices for 2021 have also been affected, but we did manage to host a weekend where Sydney based players worked at CRCC and Canberra based players worked at their club. Focus also has been better than last year with further development in Advanced peeling skills”.

Congratulations to the 2020 AC State Team

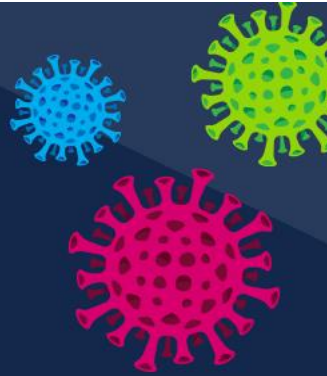
NSW State Team Coach AC and GC

Peter Landrebe

2019-2020 in Pictures



CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) SPORTS SECTOR UPDATE



CNSW Christmas Party,
Gateball Championships,
Happy Nowra winners
The hardworking team
from Dubbo and their
amazing new artificial
surfaced courts





Nelson Bay completed a major renovation late 2019 resulting in a lovely group of lawns, congratulations!

